

Sediment Quality Advisory Committee Meeting

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Topics

- Schedule
- Deliverables
 - Policy Support Document
 - Draft Functional Equivalent Document
- Roles

Schedule

- In July, hold Annual Workshop
- On August 5 must circulate Policy Support Document (draft objectives and implementation policy)
- November/December circulate draft FED

Policy Support Document Content

- Program Approach
- Narrative objectives
- Tools used to implement narrative.
- Key concepts on application of SQOs
- Thresholds will not be included
 - Need more time to develop thresholds
 - Allow opportunity for SSC input
 - Advisory Committee and Agency Coordination Committee input

PSD Content Continued

- How SQOs could be applied
- Focus on the concepts and issues based upon what we know
 - MLOE versus SLOE
 - Causal Linkage
 - Site History
 - Biologically Active Layer (Surface Sediment)
 - Synoptic Data
 - Consistency with Plan and Policies

PSD Outline

See Handout

Roles

- SWRCB Staff are writing PSD and FED
- Advisory Committee developing concepts and approaches
- If suggested approaches are well founded and generally accepted will push it forward
- Will not attempt to rewrite existing policies
- We are *dovetailing* SQOs into existing policies
- Focus on fundamental concepts and ideas